

HOUSE BILL No. 1109

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 6-1.1-20.6-9.9; IC 20-43-4.

Synopsis: School funding. Extends through 2019 the eligibility of school corporations to allocate circuit breaker credits proportionately. Specifies that a school corporation must submit estimates for all data needed to compute state tuition support. Changes the submission date from May to before April 1 for a school corporation's fall ADM estimates. Requires the department of education (department) to provide its adjusted and updated estimates to the legislative services agency before April 10 each year. Specifies for a school corporation that fails to submit its estimates by the deadline that the department is to compute monthly tuition support distributions using the general assembly's estimates until the fall count is final for that state fiscal year.

Effective: Upon passage; July 1, 2016.

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January 7, 2016, read first time and referred to Committee on Ways and Means.



Second Regular Session of the 119th General Assembly (2016)

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 6-1.1-20.6-9.9, AS ADDED BY P.L.120-2014,
2 SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2016]: Sec. 9.9. (a) A school corporation is eligible to allocate
4 credits proportionately under this section for ~~2014, 2015, or 2016,~~
5 **2017, 2018, and 2019**, if the school corporation's percentage computed
6 under this subsection is at least ten percent (10%) for its transportation
7 fund levy for that year, as certified by the department of local
8 government finance. A school corporation shall compute its percentage
9 under this subsection as follows:
10 (1) Compute the amount of credits granted under this chapter
11 against the school corporation's levy for the school corporation's
12 transportation fund.
13 (2) Compute the school corporation's levy for the school
14 corporation's transportation fund.
15 (3) Divide the amount computed under subdivision (1) by the
16 amount computed under subdivision (2) and express it as a
17 percentage.



The computation must be made by taking into account the requirements of section 9.8 of this chapter regarding protected taxes and the impact of credits granted under this chapter on the revenue to be distributed to the school corporation's transportation fund for the particular year.

(b) A school corporation that desires to be an eligible school corporation under this section must, before May 1 of the year for which it wants a determination, submit a written request for a certification by the department of local government finance that the computation of the school corporation's percentage under subsection (a) is correct. The department of local government finance shall, not later than June 1 of that year, determine whether the percentage computed by the school corporation is accurate and certify whether the school corporation is eligible under this section.

(c) For a school corporation that is certified as eligible under this section, the school corporation may allocate the effect of the credits granted under this chapter proportionately among all the school corporation's property tax funds that are not exempt under section 7.5(b) or 7.5(c) of this chapter, based on the levy for each fund and without taking into account the requirements of section 9.8 of this chapter regarding protected taxes.

SECTION 2. IC 20-43-4-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.205-2013, SECTION 275, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. (a) A school corporation's ADM is the number of eligible pupils enrolled in:

- (1) the school corporation; or
- (2) a transferee corporation;

on the days fixed in September and in February by the state board for a count of students under section 3 of this chapter and as subsequently adjusted not later than the date specified under the rules adopted by the state board. The state board may adjust the school's count of eligible pupils if the state board determines that the count is unrepresentative of the school corporation's enrollment. In addition, a school corporation may petition the state board to make an adjusted count of students enrolled in the school ~~corporation~~ **corporation** if the corporation has reason to believe that the count is unrepresentative of the school corporation's enrollment.

(b) Each school corporation shall, ~~in June of 2013 and in May before April 1~~ of each year, ~~thereafter~~ provide to the department an estimate of the school corporation's ADM **and all other data for determining state tuition support** that ~~will result from the count of eligible pupils is required to be submitted by the school corporation~~ in the following September. The department may update and adjust the



1 ~~estimate a school corporation's estimates~~ as determined appropriate
 2 by the department. **The department shall provide these updated and**
 3 **adjusted estimates to the legislative services agency before April 10**
 4 **of each year.**

5 SECTION 3. IC 20-43-4-9, AS AMENDED BY P.L.213-2015,
 6 SECTION 215, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
 7 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016]: Sec. 9. (a) Subject to ~~subsection (b)~~,
 8 **subsections (b) and (c)**, this subsection applies to the calculation of
 9 state tuition support distributions that are based on the current ADM of
 10 a school corporation. The fall count of ADM, as adjusted by the state
 11 board under section 2 of this chapter, shall be used to compute state
 12 tuition support distributions made in the first six (6) months of the
 13 current state fiscal year, and the spring count of ADM, as adjusted by
 14 the state board under section 2 of this chapter, shall be used to compute
 15 state tuition support distributions made in the second six (6) months of
 16 the state fiscal year.

17 **(b) This subsection applies to a school corporation that does not**
 18 **provide the estimates required by section 2 of this chapter before**
 19 **the deadline. For monthly state tuition support distributions made**
 20 **before the fall count of ADM is finalized, the department shall**
 21 **determine the distribution amount for such a school corporation**
 22 **using data that were used by the general assembly in determining:**

23 **(1) for the first state fiscal year of the biennium, the state**
 24 **tuition support appropriation for the budget act for that state**
 25 **fiscal year; and**

26 **(2) for the second state fiscal year of the biennium, the most**
 27 **recent projection of the state tuition support needed for that**
 28 **state fiscal year.**

29 ~~(b)~~ **(c)** If the state board adjusts a count of ADM after a distribution
 30 is made under this article, the adjusted count retroactively applies to
 31 the amount of state tuition support distributed to a school corporation
 32 affected by the adjusted count. The department shall settle any
 33 overpayment or underpayment of state tuition support resulting from
 34 an adjusted count of ADM on the schedule determined by the
 35 department and approved by the budget agency.

36 SECTION 4. **An emergency is declared for this act.**

